

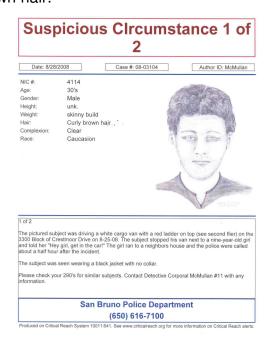
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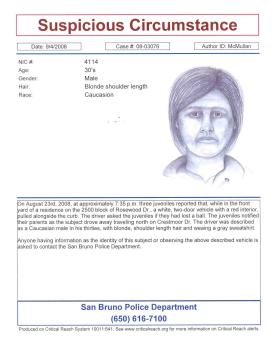
The San Bruno Police Department has received numerous inquires into the status of recent incidents that have been described as "attempted kidnappings." The Department wants to provide the public with the facts surrounding these incidents.

On September 2, 2008, at approximately 8:20 p.m., two individuals entered a business on the 800 block of San Mateo Ave. and grabbed a child by the shirt. While we are not certain of the motive, our preliminary investigation indicates the child may have been grabbed to facilitate a robbery at the store. The suspects are described as two African American males in their early 20's.

There were also two incidents which are unrelated to the September 2, 2008, crime described above. On August 25, 2008, at approximately 5:00 p.m., a 9-year-old girl was walking along the 3300 block of Crestmoor Dr. A subject, driving a white van with a red cargo ladder attached to the roof, stopped alongside the female. The driver told the girl to get into the vehicle and the girl ran away. The suspect is described as a Caucasian male in his 30's with brown hair.



On August 23, 2008, at approximately 7:35 p.m., several young boys were playing on the front lawn of a residence on the 2500 block of Rosewood Dr. A subject, driving a white vehicle with a red interior, pulled alongside the curb and informed the boys of a ball down the street. The driver suggested that the boys go to retrieve the ball. The driver left when the boys notified a parent. The suspect is described as a Caucasian male in 30's with blonde hair.



The Department wants to disseminate accurate information in order to avoid any undue concern as a result of misinformation. Any suspicious person or vehicle should be reported to police immediately. Parents should talk to their children about safety practices including what to do if a stranger approaches. The below listed links can assist you.

http://www.ncmec.org/missingkids/servlet/PageServlet?LanguageCountry=en US&PageId=713

http://www.take25.org/page.asp?page=50